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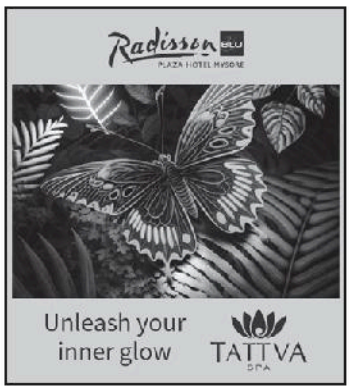

Deadline for Aadhaar-PAN linking on Mar. 31

Last-minute rush at cyber centres in city

- Server unresponsive; many return home due to hot sun
- Fake last date extension notices circulated on social media

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (RK&BCT)- With Mar. 31, 2023 declared as the last day to link one's Permanent Account Number (PAN) with their Aadhaar card, hundreds of citizens were seen rushing to banks and cyber centres and MysoreOne centres to complete the task before the deadline. There is still panic among people who are now rushing for registration and linking.

This has been the scenario across the country and as a result, the server has slowed down with only one or two applications being cleared per hour. The software is becoming unresponsive and is taking a long time to upload the documents. The rule has been implemented to ensure that all taxpayers have a unique identification number linked to their PAN, which will in turn help curb tax evasion.

People getting their PAN and Aadhaar linked at a cyber centre in Saraswathipuram in city this morning.

According to the Income Tax Department, if one does not link Aadhaar and PAN before the March 31 deadline, then the PAN will become inoperative. Filing an Income Tax Return (ITR) may also become challenging if the PAN and Aadhaar numbers are not linked.

(See CENTRES on page 6)

Will the deadline be extended?

The government has already extended the deadline four times and the last extension was on March 30, 2022 and the notification said that the last date for linkage of PAN-Aadhaar is March 31, 2023. While extending the deadline, the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) had said that after 31st March, 2023, the PAN of individuals who fail to link it with their Aadhaar will become inoperative and all the consequences under the Income Tax Act for not furnishing, intimating or quoting the PAN shall apply to such tax-payers.

Reports from New Delhi said that the government is likely to extend the deadline for linking PAN with Aadhaar by another two or three months. The CBDT could issue a notification to this effect in official channels soon. However, a fee will have to be paid for the period. Meanwhile, several notices are doing the rounds on social media indicating that the deadline has been extended till March 2024. Officials said that these notices are fake.

Solid waste clearance at Vidyaranyapuram Excel Plant

State to approve Rs. 58 crore project

Meeting with Chief Secretary tomorrow; Tenders to be called soon: MP Pratap Simha

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (BCT)- The controversial Solid Waste Management Unit (Excel Plant) at Sewage Farm which has been inviting the wrath of local residents, thanks to the foul smell emanating from the rotting waste, will soon be cleared.

There are over 7 lakh tonnes of legacy waste that has been dumped over the last 30 years and a Rs. 58 crore proposal has been sent to the State Government to clear the waste.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha said that a meeting will be held with State Chief Secretary Vandita Sharma in Bengaluru tomorrow where the project will be discussed.

"We will get the Rs. 58 crore legacy waste project cleared at the meeting with the Chief Secretary and the tender will be called immediately. This has been a long-pending demand from the residents of the area and we will get this work done," the MP said. Yesterday, Pratap Simha met Urban Development Department Secretary Dr. M.N. Ajay Nagabhushan in Bengaluru on drinking water schemes under AMRUT-2 (Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation) project and later said in a note that the legacy waste issue is being addressed and the project will get Government approval in a day or two.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha seen with Urban Development Department Secretary Dr. M.N. Ajay Nagabhushan in Bengaluru yesterday. *Picture right:* ***Solid Waste Management Unit (Excel Plant) at Vidyaranyapuram in Mysuru.***

Mysuru city generates more than 500 tonnes of waste every day and the bulk of the waste was regularly dumped at the Sewage Farm in the absence of other waste treatment plants. This had been a major challenge for the MCC as the Waste Treatment Plant at Vidyaranyapuram had a capacity to process only 200 tonnes per day.

(See PROJECT on page 6)

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 28th March 2023

'Besige Bandi' summer camp at Nypunya School

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (SSM) - Nypunya School of Excellence, Mysuru, has organised Besige Bandi,' a Summer Camp with *desi* activities, at its premises in R.T. Nagar from Apr. 10 to May 6.

First 50 children will be given free admission to the camp. Interested students may submit applications at the School Office before Apr. 3.

The camp will feature several cultural and traditional activities including *Kesarugadde Ota, Ettingadi Payana,* visit to historical places, radio programmes, *desi* games and folk programmes. Apart from all this, drawing and craft will be taught to the children. For details, call the School on Ph: 0821-2340041 or Mob: 91080-02966.

Talk on Manuscriptology

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (SSM) - The Oriental Research Institute (ORI), University of Mysore (UoM) and Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), Regional Centre, Bengaluru, have jointly organised a special lecture on the topic 'Manuscriptology - An Introduction' by retired Scholar Dr. S. Jagannath at Vijnana Bhavan in Manasagangothri campus here tomorrow (Mar. 29) at 3 pm.

Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote will inaugurate. ORI Director Dr. D.P. Madhusudanacharya and IGNCA Coordinating Assistant R. Swaksha will be present, according to a press release.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

It is said that regardless of how much patience we have, we would prefer to never use any. I proved that adage right as I couldn't control my impatience when my phone calls were not received by him — he was crucial for my upcoming book release — as he is in charge of everything to do with the book publishing. I kept brooding over it — anxious about the approaching book launch event ahead. After few hours, he called me — probably guessing my mood, he started off by saying "I am sorry I couldn't take your calls — morning from 7 to 10, I usually don't as those three hours are for my father." He didn't sound apologetic, he sounded sincere — his words directly went to my heart. He continued, "My father, an octogenarian needs me to freshen up and get dressed after which he needs my assistance to have his breakfast — and only after tucking him in the bed, my day starts for 'my' work."

My respect for him went up by several notches and I teared up… he himself must be in his fifties and must be surrounded by many familial issues, yet he has set his priorities right. Silently I offered a sincere namaskarams to him in my heart. People will remember the moments you made them feel loved more than the times you said, "I love you." I am sure that lucky father will cherish the time his son is giving him.

But how many children are bothered about these things when they feel aged parents are nothing but 'botherations'…

Here is a poem (anonymous), *When parents get old:*

Let them grow old with the same love that they let you grow/ Let them speak and tell repeated stories with the same patience and interest that they heard yours as a child / Let them be wrong, like so many times you have been wrong / Let them live and try to make them happy the last stretch of the path they have left to go; give them your hand, just like they gave you their hand when you started your path!

—Ambika Ananth in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Legal battle for the right to name baby

Saint-Malo: A young couple in France is currently engaged in a legal battle for the right to name their baby 'Hades', a name made famous by the God of the underworld from Greek mythology.

Kristina Desgres and Rodrigo Velasquez, a young couple from the historic French port city of Saint-Malo, had their first baby in September of last year. However, they still don't have their 'livret de Famille, a mandatory document obtained when a child is born or adopted by an individual or a couple, because the public prosecutor of Saint-Malo refuses to accept the baby's name.

In France, as in many other civilised countries around the world, parents can't just name their babies whatever they want. If authorities consider that the name goes against the interests of a child, they have the power to ask the parents to change it, and in this case, the public prosecutor decided that the negative connotation of 'Hades' as the god of the underworld, whose task is to prevent the dead from leaving, was inappropriate.

Woman earns world record for donating blood

Alberta: An 80-year-old Alberta woman who has been regularly donating blood for nearly six decades earned the Guinness World Record (GWR) for the most whole blood donated (female).

GWR said Josephine Michaluk began donating blood at the age of 22 in 1965 and in the years since she has donated a total 203 units of blood. A unit of blood is roughly equivalent to a pint. Michaluk said her sister talked her into her first donation.

"I decided I would join her and that was the beginning," she told GWR. Michaluk, whose blood type O+ is the in demand, said she likes knowing her donations are helping others.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Severe fatigue, shortness of breath, palpitations along with pale skin can be due to severe anemia.

By Dr. Giripunja M. - Consultant – Haematology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Sewing machines distributed to women beneficiaries

Mysuru, Mar.28 (MK&TRR)- MLA L. Nagendra distributed sewing machines to 30 poor women of SC/ST and other communities who were chosen as beneficiaries under Mysuru City Corporation's 24:10 and 7.25 scheme grants, at a function held at Manjunathapura community hall here recently.

Speaking after distributing the machines, MLA Nagendra said that like any other areas of the city, Manjunathapura has witnessed development. Construction of community hall, development of roads and underground drainages, drinking water and title deeds to houses have all been provided in the locality and if you still have any problems, inform me directly.

The MLA appealed voters to elect him in the forthcoming elections to the State Assembly to carry forward the development works in the area.

Corporator Ravindra, who too spoke on the occasion, said that a hi-tech bus stand and a health centre will be provided for the benefit of the residents of Manjunathpura in the coming days.

"Efforts will be made to provide English training for students of class 1 to 5 and training in tailoring will be provided for those who are in need of it. Mysuru City Corporation has many schemes for the welfare of the poor and they must make use of such schemes," said Ravindra.

MCC Assistant Commissioner Chandramma, local BJP leaders Venkataramu, Kavita, Govindu, Guru, Subramani, Saraswati, Shobha, Lakshmi, Vedamba and others were present at the function.

REALLY...?

- ***One gram of the toxin produced by the skin of the golden poison dart frog could kill 1,00,000 people.***
- ***The female Surinam toad lays up to 100 eggs, which are then distributed over her back. Her skin swells around the eggs until they become embedded in a honeycomb-like structure. After 12 to 20 weeks, fully formed young toads emerge by pushing out through the membrane covering the toad's back.***
- ***Starfish can eat outside their body: Due to their tiny mouth on the underside of their body, starfish have adapted an ingenious way of eating things larger than it can fit in their mouth.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

POSITIVE THINKING...
Doctor: *Your liver is enlarged.*
Patient: *Does that mean it has space for more whisky ?!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 82.18
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 101.26
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.37
1 Euro	= Rs. 88.88

VOICE OF THE READER

Why waste tax-payers' money on good roads?

Sir,

Last evening at 4.30 pm, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) began to thinly resurface a perfectly fine road right opposite Sankalp Central Park apartment in Yadavagiri which it did within the span of just an hour or two.

There are absolutely no potholes and the road is in very good condition except for a patch work to be done at the curve towards Joy ice-cream Circle.

When there are many bad roads which are crying for attention, why is MCC hell bent on so quickly resurfacing this road and wasting tax-payers' money?

Today also asphalting work is in progress on the stretch and also towards Railway Under Bridge side from Sankalp Road.

Hope better sense prevails on the MCC authorities concerned to take up re-asphalting or patch work at other damaged roads that are crying for attention — like the nearby Jodithenginamara Road in Bannimantap that leads to *Star of Mysore* Office and JSS Dental College.

—A concerned citizen
Yadavagiri
28.3.2023

Ph.Dawardees

Mysuru, Mar. 28- **H.G. Vinodkumara** has been awarded Ph.D in Geography by the University of Mysore (UoM) for his thesis '*The Problems and Prospects of Development of Sustainable Tourism in Southern Karnataka with Special Reference to Bird Sanctuaries*' submitted under the guidance of Dr. H.K. Kamala.

N.C. Vijaya Kumar has been awarded Ph.D in Gandhian Studies by the UoM for his thesis '*Mahatma Gandhijiyavara Grama Swaraj Parikalpaneyalli Grama Sabalikaranadalli Panchayathi Abhivrudhi Adhikarigala Paatra, Visheshavagi Chamarajanagara Jilleya Adhyayana*' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Bharati Hiremath.

Chief Minister distributes media kits to 605 Backward Class journalists

Urges scribes to provide useful inputs to society

Bengaluru, Mar. 28 (SSM)- The Department of Information and Public Relations, Government of Karnataka, had organised a programme at Kanteerava Studio premises here yesterday to distribute media kits to as many as 605 Backward Class journalists of the State.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who spoke after distributing free laptops, cameras and other equipment useful for journalists said that media, be it print or electronic, play a huge role in social reformation.

Stating that it is the first time that the BJP Government has initiated distribution of media kits among journalists, CM Bommai said that journalists must make good use of the gadgets provided and work proactively. "It is the duty of media persons to not just collect information, but also gather inputs useful for the people in the society and educate people with such details. It is necessary for a journalist to work towards social reformation and struggle for organising systems in the society.

Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) President S.T. Ravikumar, *Star of Mysore* Photojournalist M.N. Lakshminarayana Yadav and Karnataka Union of Working Journalists (KUWJ) State Executive Committee Member from Mysuru B. Raghavendra were among the 22 journalists from Mysuru who received the media kits from the Chief Minister.

Former CM D.V. Sadananda Gowda, Department of Information and Public Relations General Secretary Manjunath Prasad, Commissioner Dr. P.S. Harsha, Joint Director D.P. Muralidhar, Officers of various Departments and senior journalists were present on the occasion.

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Farooqia College of Pharmacy students have secured three Ranks in Karnataka State in the annual Pharm.D (post Bacculate) Examinations conducted by the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore. **Ms. Sowmya M** has secured 2nd Rank by scoring 80.12% And **Ms Rekha.B.S** has secured 4th Rank by scoring 79.41% and **Ms Ann Madhu** has secured 7th Rank by scoring 78.59% in the final Pharm.D (Post Bacculate)

Mr. TAJ MOHAMMED KHAN, Hon. Secretary, RMET, **Dr. M.P BHAGAT,** Director, and **Mr. NISAR AHMED,** Principal, congratulate the Rank students on behalf of Management and Staff of Farooqia College of Pharmacy, Mysore for their Hard work and Great achievement.

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NEWS BRIEFS

No Meat Sale

The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has banned sale of meat on Mar. 30 on account of Sri Ramanavami and on Apr. 4 on account of Mahaveer Jayanthi. Accordingly, all meat shops and slaughter houses in MCC limits have been instructed to be closed on both the days.

CET and NEET coaching

Krishik Sarvodaya Foundation, Mysuru Branch, will be conducting CET and NEET coaching classes for students at its premises in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage in Mysuru from Apr. 1. Eligible students may register themselves for classes before Mar. 31. Subject experts from over 40 colleges will train students. Food and accommodation facility will be provided for students coming from rural places. For registration and details, contact Ph: 0821-2301564 or Mob: 99457-52592, according to a press release.

KARP Musicians Recruitment

The KARP Mounted Company, Mysuru, has invited applications from eligible candidates for recruitment of backlog posts for English and Karnatak musicians. Interested may apply online by logging on to ***www.ksp.gov.in*** or can get it from the KARP Mounted Company on Lalitha Mahal Road in city from Apr. 1. The last date to submit the application is 5 pm on Apr. 29. For details, visit ***https://ksp.karnataka.gov.in/info-3/Recruitment/en***, according to a press release.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Today	:	98.16	feet
Yesterday	:	98.64	feet
Inflow	:	343	cusecs
Outflow	:	4,407	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Yesterday	:	2,260.49	feet
Inflow	:	78	cusecs
Outflow	:	1,183	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,822.73	feet
Inflow	:	113	cusecs
Outflow	:	150	cusecs

Women-only Pink Toilet

inaugurated but not open for use!

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (DM&PM)- 'Pink Toilet,' an exclusive toilet for women, located close to D. Devaraj Urs Road and Dewan's Road Junction (behind Chamundi Guest House), coming under MCC Ward No. 23, was inaugurated by Chamaraja BJP MLA L. Nagendra on Friday.

Though the 'women-only' toilet facility has been inaugurated it is not open for public use as tenders have to be called for the maintenance of the facility.

Speaking on the occasion, Nagendra said that the 'Pink Toilet,' which is an exclusive facility for women, will be of much help to women, especially working women, as it is located in the heart of the city.

Highlighting the facilities available at this 'Pink Toilet,' Nagendra said that it is built at a cost of Rs. 37 lakh under the 14th Finance Plan. He also listed the road development, underground drainage construction and other key infrastructure development works going on in the Constituency.

Corporator Pramila Bharat, speaking to *Star of Mysore* said that the toilet building, which is constructed on a 20x20 plot, has two western toilets, two Indian toilets and a separate toilet for the specially abled.

She further said that there is one rest room, one feeding room, one dressing room and two bathrooms fitted with geysers for hot water besides stating that there is a sanitary napkin dispensing unit which dispenses a sanitary pad for Rs. 5.

Pointing out that there are plans to establish a garden next to the toilet building, she said that CCTV cameras have been installed outside the building at vantage points for security purpose.

The Corporator said that there were plans to fix Rs. 5 as the fee to use the facility as money is required to maintain the facility. Tenders will be called for the maintenance of the toilet complex and the facility will be thrown open for use shortly.

Mayor Shivakumar, Deputy Mayor Dr. G. Roopa, Corporator Pramila Bharath, City BJP Women's Wing President Hema Nandish, party leaders Tanuja Mahesh, Vishweshwar Bhat, Rajendra, Surendra, Lakshmi, Mahesh, Gopalakrishna, Pramod Gowda and others were present.

Stones pelted on BSY's house in Shivamogga amid quota protest

Shivamogga, Mar. 28- Former BJP Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa's (BSY) house at Shikaripura in Shivamogga district was left with broken windowpanes as a protest by Banjaras over reservation turned violent yesterday.

Yediyurappa

They resorted to stone-pelting, which resulted in some Policemen being injured. In the wake of the incident, prohibitory orders under Section 144 of Cr.PC have been imposed in the town.

The majority of protesters, who were young people, swarmed close to Yediyurappa's house and began throwing stones, breaking window panes, which caught the Police off guard.

When the situation was getting out of hand, more forces were called in and the Police had to resort to lathi charge to disperse the violent agitators. The protesters alleged that 'less' reservation was given to the 'Scheduled Caste-Touchables', to which the Banjara community belongs.

The Karnataka Cabinet had last week decided to introduce internal reservation amongst the SCs. After hiking reservation for the Scheduled Castes from 15 percent to 17 percent, the Government announced that 6 percent reservation would be given to SC left sub-category, 5.5 percent to SC right, 4.5 percent to Touchables and one percent to others which had angered the protesters.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said that the sub-categorisation had been done on a recommendation from a Cabinet Sub-Committee. He said "They (Banjaras) feared removal from the SC list, but I personally intervened and ensured they remained on the SC list."

Appeal to people

Reacting to the violent incident, BJP leader Raghu Kautilya, who is also the Chairman of Mysore Paints and Varnish Limited (MPVL), has appealed the people not to come to a wrong conclusion without understanding the essence of the inner reservation and asserted that Yediyurappa would not tolerate injustice to any community.

"Taking advantage of the innocence of the people, some leaders have instigated Banjara Community members to stage a protest which unfortunately turned violent resulting in the attack on the former CM's house. B.S. Yediyurappa has not hurt anyone or any community in his long political journey. Following the incident, the former CM, out of affection for the people of his Constituency, has asked the authorities not to take any action against innocent people as they protested due to some misconception. This shows his motherly concern towards all communities," Raghu said.

BJP MLA arrested in bribery case after Court rejects bail

Bengaluru, Mar. 28 - Lokayukta Police yesterday arrested BJP MLA Madal Virupakshappa in a corruption case, shortly after the Karnataka High Court rejected his bail application. The MLA was also the Chairman of Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd.

Virupakshappa was arrested near Kyathsandra toll booth near Tumakuru Road by the Lokayukta Police. Sources said he was travelling from Channagiri in Davangere district to Bengaluru.

Lokayukta Police started tracking Virupakshappa around 4 pm while he was in Chitradurga. They waited in five SUVs near the toll booth, sources added. The Police took Virupakshappa to Bengaluru where they will subject him to a medical test and complete the arrest formalities.

Virupakshappa was named as the prime accused in the case after his son and BWSSB Chief Accounts Officer M.V. Prashanth Kumar was caught allegedly accepting a Rs. 40 lakh bribe, allegedly on his behalf, last month from a Government contractor.

Madal Virupakshappa

Lokayukta officials had seized Rs. 8.02 crore from Kumar's office and residence in Bengaluru and the MLA's residence in the Davangere district.

The bribe was meant to secure a tender to supply raw materials to Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd., said the Lokayukta Police, which was investigating the case.

Shortly after, Virupakshappa stepped down from the Chairman's post.

Devanur Lake rejuvenation begins

Rs. 6 crore MUDA project; Narasimharaja MLA Tanveer Sait has more plans to restore the Lake's lost glory

Weeds and garbage being cleared at the neglected Devanur Lake area.

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (BCT)- After a long delay, the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) has finally begun rejuvenating the Devanur Lake that was once a place for migratory birds to roost. At present, the Lake is an eyesore and is no more than a sewage dump, full of weeds, construction waste, demolished concrete blocks and silt.

The 12.37-acre Devanur Lake is located on the main link road between N.R. Mohalla and Rajivnagar and continued discharge of sewage from Northern and Eastern parts of the city into the water body has turned it into a major health hazard.

Thanks to the relentless efforts of former Minister and Narasimharaja Constituency MLA Tanveer Sait, who has raised the issue many times in the Legislative Assembly and written a couple of letters to the Urban Development Department and the Lake Development Authority, Rs. 6 crore has been released for desilting and fencing.

Of the Rs. 6 crore, Rs. 5 crore will be used for desilting and completing the construction of the storm-water drains. Earth-movers are already removing tonnes of silt that has accumulated over the years. Rs. 1 crore will be spent exclusively for fencing the entire perimeter of the water body.

The desilting works were launched last Friday by Tanveer Sait and MUDA Chairman Yashaswi Somashekar.

The Lake is situated between N.R. Mohalla and Udayagiri, and 2 kms from Narayana Multispeciality Hospital on Outer Ring Road. It once provided water for irrigation in the region. Now, sewage water from Ghousianagar, Gayathripuram, Muneshwaranagar, Sathagalli, Shanthinagar, Udayagiri, Rajivnagar, N.R. Mohalla, Jalapuri, Kalyanagiri and surrounding areas is discharged to the storm water drain and directly enters the Lake.

MUDA officials said that the desilting work and the works on storm-water drains will be completed in six months and once complete, the project will ensure that the sewage water is diverted away from the Lake towards the Sewage Treatment Plant at Kesare.

Seeing the sad plight of the Lake, a group of civic-conscious local residents had formed Save Devanur Lake Committee and had carried out many campaigns and protests to prevent sewage entry and garbage dumping. Area residents said that the clean Lake water once attracted migratory birds but gradually got polluted.

More than 10 years of protests by the residents and youths not withstanding, at present, the Lake has become a breeding ground for mosquitoes and the threat of dengue, chikungunya and other vector-borne diseases looms large.

Process has started for a vast and clean Lake

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (BCT)- Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, former Minister and Narasimharaja MLA Tanveer Sait said that relentless efforts to save the Devanur Lake has paid off now with the MUDA beginning desilting works.

Tanveer Sait

"In the last four to five decades, only sewage water was entering the water body and though there were reports of encroachment, we were able to prevent it and safeguard its boundaries. In 2009, I brought in Rs. 5 crore from the Government for Lake rejuvenation and the task was handed over to the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC).

The MCC had called for tenders but due to faulty Detailed Project Report, the works came to a standstill, he said.

"I have been continuously raising the issue in the Assembly and through many letters. I have approached the Lake Development Authority to save the water body and had even sent a proposal of Rs. 17 crore. We expected the funds to come in as the Lake would benefit a large population. But since it was a BJP Government, there was a discrimination in fund allotment. And funds never came," Sait revealed.

When the issue was repeatedly raised by Sait in the Assembly, the Urban Development Minister assured on the floor of the House that he would get the work done on behalf of MUDA. "Now Rs. 5 crore has been released for desilting the Lake and Rs. 1 crore exclusively for fencing the entire Lake perimeter," he said.

Removing sewage lines

"Another Rs. 8.5 crore project has been tendered to remove the sewage entry lines from the Lake. Administrative approval has been secured for all these works and tenders have been floated and the work order has also been issued," Tanveer Sait added.

"A major challenge was the diversion of storm-water drain. There was a drain starting from Gayathripuram, passing through Gandhinagar and joining this Lake through Sathyanagar. One more drain starting from Raghavendranagar passing through Shanthinagar and Udayagiri also joined this Lake. The drains were diverted under the JnNURM scheme on the three sides of the Lake," he revealed.

"Now, we will have to put a storm-water drain on one side of the Lake with a concrete wall which will solve the sewage entry to the Lake. We also have proposed a 4 MLD (Million Litres per Day) Sewage Treatment Plant to fill fresh water to the Lake. The administrative approval for this has not been accorded. I have that in mind and will pursue," Tanveer Sait added.

After disqualification as Lok Sabha MP...

Rahul Gandhi to launch Congress campaign from Kolar on Apr. 5

Bengaluru, Mar. 28 (KMS& DM)- With the remarks that he made at Kolar during his 2019 Lok Sabha election campaign being responsible for his recent conviction in a defamation suit and subsequent disqualification from the Lok Sabha, top Congress leader Rahul Gandhi has decided to launch the party's campaign for the Karnataka Assembly polls from Kolar itself.

With the Election Commission likely to announce poll schedule anytime in the first half of April, the Congress had begun preparations to launch its campaign from Mulbagal in Kolar district on Apr. 5, the place where Rahul allegedly made abusive and insulting remarks targeting the Modi community, which ultimately resulted in filing of a defamation case against him at a Court in Surat, Gujarat and subsequent conviction and disqualification as MP from Waynad, Kerala.

Rahul Gandhi

Meanwhile, as the Congress prepares to officially launch its Assembly poll campaign from Kolar, rumblings have started in Kolar Congress unit on why former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has not yet been asked to contest from Kolar, which the former CM had hoped to contest from. The Congress has, however, announced the candidature of Siddharamaiah from Varuna, his home Constituency in Mysuru district. The Congress leaders of Kolar are of the opinion that Siddharamaiah's contest from Kolar would rev up the party cadre which can result in enormous gains for the party in the neighbouring districts of Chikkaballapur and Bengaluru Rural.

The Kolar Congress leaders are particularly upset that their groundwork for launching Siddharamaiah from Kolar have gone to waste as the Congress High Command is uncertain on fielding the former CM from Kolar. In this backdrop, the High Command is likely to ask Siddu to contest from Kolar along with Varuna in a bid to revive the fortunes of the Congress in Kolar and its neighbouring districts.

Cycle Pure Agarbathi ITF Mysuru Open 2023 main draw begins in city

Six Indians qualify for main draw

Mysuru, Mar. 28- The main draw of the Cycle Pure Agarbathi ITF Mysuru Open 2023 was inaugurated at the Mysore Tennis Club (MTC) premises this morning in the presence of Dr. K.V. Rajendra, Deputy Commissioner (DC), Mysuru, as the guest of honour and Arjun Ranga, Managing Director, Cycle Pure Agarbathi and Alex Cherian, Joint Managing Director, Schevaran Laboratories Pvt. Ltd., as the chief guests. Also present were A.R. Alagappan, President, MTC and Peter Vijay Kumar, Tournament Director.

Six Indian players qualified for the main draw of the Cycle Pure Agarbathi ITF Mysuru Open 2023 after producing power-packed performances in the qualifying rounds yesterday.

The top seed of the qualifiers Siddharth Vishwakarma put up a dominating display to secure a 6-1, 6-2 victory against Deepak Anantharamu. Similar to Vishwakarma, Vishnu Vardhan also had an easy day at the office as he prevailed in two sets against Yash Chaurasia by a 6-1, 6-1 scoreline.

On the other hand, Faisal Qamar and Fardeen Quamar had to grind hard to secure their berths in the main draw. While Faisal beat Lakshit Sood by 7-6 (3), 7-6 (1), Fardeen ousted Pruchya Isaro of Thailand with a 3-6, 7-6 (3) [10-5] tie-breaker win.

Ishaque Eqbal and Ranjeet Virali-Murugesan were the other two Indians that advanced to the main draw after their respective opponents retired from the match due to injuries.

The USD 25,000 event is being hosted by the Karnataka Lawn Tennis Association (KSLTA).

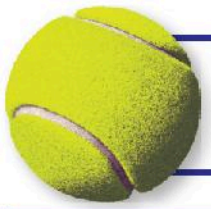
Today, eight Indians including Suraj Prabodh, Rishi Reddy, Madhwin Kamath, Sidharth Rawat, Karan Singh and Sandesh Kurale along with the qualifying winners Eqbal and Faisal kicked off the country's campaign in the Singles main draw of the tournament.

Alongside Indians, Dali Blanch of the USA and Grigoriy Lomakin of Kazakhstan will also be in action. Meanwhile, Evgeny Donskoy withdrew from the tournament due to an injury.

Earlier in the day yesterday, Woobin Shin of South Korea and Mitsuki Wei Kang Leong of Malaysia also secured their places in the main draw after defeating Bharat Nishok Kumaran (6-2, 6-3) and Abhinav Sanjeev Shanmugam (6-4, 4-6 [10-7]) respectively.

The ongoing tournament marks the return of ITF tennis to Mysuru after 8 years and will take place at the Mysuru Tennis Club till April 2.

*Seen are (from left) **Peter Vijay Kumar, Tournament Director, Dr. K.V. Rajendra, Deputy Commissioner, Mysuru, Arjun Ranga, Managing Director, Cycle Pure Agarbathi and A.R. Alagappan, President, Mysore Tennis Club (MTC), during the inauguration of Cycle Pure Agarbathi ITF Mysuru Open 2023 at the MTC Tennis Court this morning.** Picture right: **Dr. K.V. Rajendra, along with Arjun Ranga, trying his hands on tennis during the inauguration of Cycle Pure Agarbathi ITF Mysuru Open 2023 at the MTC Tennis Court this morning.***



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TODAY'S RESULTS [Till 2 pm]

COURT-1

Ishaque Eqbal **BEAT** Suraj Prabodh 7-6, 6-0

Dali Blanch **LOSE TO** Sidharth Rawat 3-6, 2-6

COURT-2

Faisal Qamar **BEAT** Rishi Reddy 6-1, 6-1

Grigoriy Lomakin **LOSE TO** Karan Singh 3-6, 6-3, 6-7

COURT 6

Woobin Shin **BEAT** Madhwin Kamath 6-1, 1-0

Faisal Qamar in action during the Cycle Pure Agarbathi ITF Mysuru Open at Mysore Tennis Club (MTC) premises in city this morning.

State to approve Rs. 58 crore project

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The Excel Treatment Plant was set up under the JnNURM Project in 1996 and solid waste is treated to produce compost. However, tonnes of garbage go untreated. Residents said that the animal carcass and other waste from slaughterhouses were dumped directly into the plant, leading to unbearable stench.

The untreated legacy waste accumulating at the plant had sparked widespread resentment among the residents of J.P. Nagar, Kanakagiri, Gundu Rao Nagar, Vidyaranyapuram and Vishweshwaranagar, who had complained not only of foul smell, but also threat to their health and well-being.

After a series of protests and public campaigns, the daily waste was shifted to locations like Kesare and Rayanakere for treatment.

The District Administration took a decision in January 2020 to go ahead with a Bioremediation (Bio-mining) project to clear the legacy waste but the Bioremediation project failed to take off. The outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic further added to the delay.

Once the legacy waste is cleared now, the MCC can reclaim about 17 acres of land for infrastructure creation and providing other facilities in the locality.

Last-minute rush at cyber centres

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Cyber centre staff were seen struggling with the challan payment option, even as many people were waiting outside under the hot sun. Many were seen returning homes unable to bear the summer heat and were asking the cyber centre staff to keep a place for them in the evening.

Including the penalty of Rs. 1,000, the cyber centres are charging anywhere between Rs. 1,100 and Rs. 1,200 to link the PAN with Aadhaar cards.

Residents who were waiting outside the cyber cafes at Kuvempunagar, Saraswathipuram and Hebbal told *Star of Mysore* that the server functioned well in the morning and became slow after 11.30 am.

"The process is very simple but a machine can take the load of only one or two applicants per hour as the server is hanging," said Vikas Rao who runs a cyber cafe in Saraswathipuram.

Pramoda Devi inaugurates renovated
Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Wrestling arena

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (PM&DM)- Member of erstwhile Mysore royal family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar inaugurated the renovated **Maharaja Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Kusti Akhada** (Wrestling Arena) at Sahukar Chennaiah Stadium in Doddakere Maidan here on Sunday at a programme organised under the aegis of Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Garadi Sangha.

Pramoda Devi later launched a 40-pair Matti wrestling tournament, which featured ten-pairs of women wrestlers.

Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya, former MCDCC Bank President S. Chandrashekar, Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Garadi Sangha President K. Chandraprakash, General Secretary S. Mahadev, Joint Secretary C. Basavaraj, Sri Mahalingeshwara Temple Secretary G.N. Anantavardhana, Senior Advocate O. Sham Bhat and others were present.

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, who is the President of HH Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar (SDNR) Foundation, had taken up the renovation of the wrestling arena that measured 70'x70', at a cost of Rs.15 lakh.

The 60-year-old wrestling arena at Sahukar Channaiah Stadium was inaugurated by the then Mysuru State Governor Jayachamaraja Wadiyar on April 4,1962, when Sahukar Channaiah was the President of Garadi Sangha and Pailwan A. Shivananjappa, the Secretary.

Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Garadi Sangha was established in 1948.

Padma G. Madegowda Mahila Seva Award for Mandya AC

Bharati Education Trust Chairman Madhu G. Madegowda presenting Padma G. Madegowda Seva Award to Mandya Assistant Commissioner (AC) H.S. Keerthana at a function held at Kuvempu Auditorium in the College premises at Bharatinagar, Mandya, recently as others look on.

Extend Bengaluru-Mumbai Udyan Express to Mysuru
Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha urges Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw

New Delhi, Mar. 28 (BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha has taken the issue of Mysuru-Mumbai train to Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and has sought the extension of the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus- KSR Bengaluru Udyan Express to Mysuru.

There has been a demand from regular travellers between Mysuru and Mumbai for the extension of the Udyan Express (Train No.11301/02) which currently runs daily from Bengaluru City Junction (KSR) to Mumbai CST so that it can start from the Mysuru Junction. This would help a lot of people and also in the economic growth of Mysuru region as Mumbai is the economic and financial capital of India.

In a memorandum submitted to the Railway Minister, Simha has stated that the daily rail connectivity between Mysuru and Mumbai would be a boon as train journeys are affordable, safe and faster. It will deliver immense benefits to people of not only Mysuru but also those residing in several adjoining districts like Kodagu, Chamarajanagar, Mandya and Hassan.

Mysuru is poised for tremendous growth with the construction of Expressway between Mysuru and Bengaluru and with many projects lined up like India's first chip-making plant being set up by International Semiconductor Consortium, Silk Cluster, a start-up hub and a cyber security ecosystem. "These herald the beginning of the movement of a large number of skilled and unskilled labour to the Mysuru region from every part of the country, especially from Maharashtra and Gujarat," the MP noted.

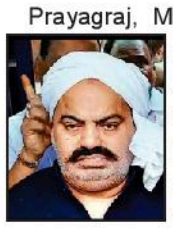
"Local Railway officials informed me that the train would remain in KSR Bengaluru City for over 12 hours. The Railways must examine the operational feasibility of extending the service of this train to and from Mysuru, thus enabling the fulfilment of a long-pending demand of the people of this region for daily direct train connectivity from Mysuru to Mumbai," Pratap Simha stated.

The prospect of transporting coffee and spices from Kodagu and finished products like truck tyres, instant food, agarbathis, handicrafts, motorcycle, industrial gears and others by rail will be bright once fast and seamless services between Mysuru and Mumbai are established, he added.

Kidnapping case

UP gangster Atiq Ahmed, two others sentenced to life

Prayagraj, Mar. 28 - Gangster-politician Atiq Ahmed and two others have been found guilty and sentenced to life imprisonment by a Court in Prayagraj in the 2006 kidnapping case of Umesh Pal, a witness in the BSP MLA Raju Pal's murder. Umesh Pal, too, was killed last month in an attack allegedly orchestrated by the two.



Atiq Ahmed

Seven others, including Atiq Ahmed's brother Khalid Azim, have been acquitted in the case. Earlier, the Supreme Court rejected Atiq Ahmed's request for protection during his UP Police custody.

The Supreme Court Bench, however, allowed Atiq Ahmed to approach the Allahabad High Court for protection after claiming a threat to his life in UP Police's custody.

It may be noted that following a 24-hour road journey from Gujarat, Atiq Ahmed and his brother were brought to the Naini Central Jail in Prayagraj amid heavy security on Monday.

Supreme Court Bench allows Atiq to approach the Allahabad High Court for protection

Large crowds were seen outside the local Court in Prayagraj where hearing of the Umesh Pal kidnapping case was scheduled.

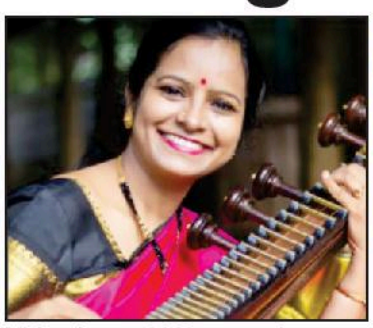
Atiq Ahmed was brought to the Court amid heavy security.

It may be recalled that in 2005, BSP MLA Raju Pal was murdered and Umesh Pal had approached the Police claiming that he was a witness to the murder.

Umesh Pal had alleged that he was kidnapped at gunpoint in 2006 when he refused to retract his statement to the Police under pressure from Atiq Ahmed.

The Police had registered an FIR against Atiq Ahmed, his brother and four others in this connection.

Ramabhyudaya Sabha's Sri Ramothsava Sangeethotsava at Alamma's Choultry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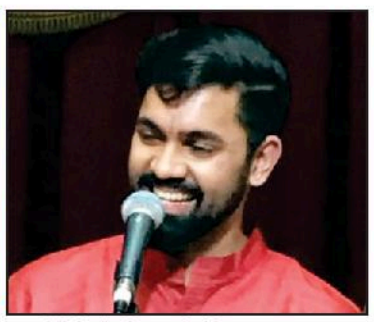
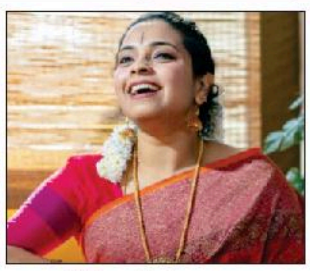

Vid. Ashwath Narayan

Malladi Brothers

Vidu. Anupama Bhagavat


Vidu. Aishwarya

Vidu. Nandini

Vid. Prasanna & Vid. Rithvik

Vid. Ramakrishnan

K. Ramachandra

As part of its 133rd anniversary of Sri Ramothsava celebrations, Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust, Vinoba Road, Mysuru, has organised 'Sangeethotsava - 2023,' a series of concerts from Mar. 30 to Apr. 25 by various artistes of Chennai and Bengaluru. The concerts will be held everyday from 6.30 pm to 9.30 pm at Alamma's Choultry, near Moole Rama Mandira, Srirampet. The details are as follows:

March 30: 5.30 pm - Vidu. Jayanthi Kumaresh will inaugurate the programme. Industrialist Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoi will be the chief guest. Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust President Dr. N. Sriram will preside; **6.30 pm -** Veena Concert by Vidu. Jayanthi Kumaresh accompanied by Vid. Anantha R. Krishna on mridanga and Vid. Guruprasanna on kanjira.

March 31: 6.30 pm - Classical Vocal Concert by Palghat R. Ramaprasad accompanied by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar on violin, Vid. Anantha R. Krishna on mridanga and Vid. Giridhar Udupa on ghata.

April 1: 6.30 pm - Flute

Duet by Vid. Herambha and Vid. Hemanth accompanied by Vid. Vishwesh Chandrashekar on violin, Vid. H.S. Sudhindra on mridanga and Vid. Shamit Gowda on ghata.

April 2: 10 am - Seetha Kalyana (Rama Mandira); **4.30 pm -** Mass Vishnu Sahasranama Parayana followed by a discourse on 'Vishnu Sahasranama' by H.V. Nagaraja Rao; **6.30 pm -** Vocal Concert by Vid. Ashwath Narayan accompanied by Vid. Vishwesh Chandrashekar on violin, Vid. K.V. Prasad on mridanga and Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on ghata.

April 3: 6.30 pm - Vocal Duet by Malladi Brothers — Vid. Malladi Sreeramprasad and Vid. Malladi Ravikumar — accompanied by Vid. Embar Kannan on violin, Vid. K.V. Prasad on mridanga and Vid. Giridhar Udupa on kanjira.

April 4: 6.30 pm - Sitar Recital by Vidu. Anupama Bhagavat accompanied by Pt. Ravindra Yavgal on tabla.

April 5: 6.30 pm - Vocal Concert by Vidu. Aishwarya Vidhya Raghunath accompanied by Vidu. Nalina Mohan on violin, Vid. B.S. Prashanth on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Kaushik on ghata.

April 6: 6.30 pm - Vocal Concert by Vidu. Nandini accompanied by Vid. Mattur Srinidhi on violin, Vid. B.C. Manjunath on mridanga and Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on ghata.

April 7: 6.30 pm - Vocal Duet by Vid. Prasanna Venkatraman and Vid. Rithvik Raja accompanied by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar on violin, Vid. Delhi Sairam on mridanga and Vid. B. Rajashekar on morching.

April 8: 6.30 pm - Vocal Concert by Vid. Ramakrishnan Murthy accompanied by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar on violin, Vid. Delhi Sairam on mridanga and Vid. Guruprasanna on kanjira.

April 9: 9.30 am - Sri Rama Pattabhisheka followed by Gamaka Vachana by Vasantha Venkatesh and Vyakhyaana by K. Ramachandra (Rama Mandira).

April 10: 6.30 pm - Classical Music by Vidu. Anjana P. Rao.

April 11: Hanumanthotsava; **6.30 pm -** Procession in Raja Beedi, Nadaswara Vidwan Parthasarathy and team; **8 pm -** Mahamangalarathi and Prasada Viniyoga.

April 12: Shayanotsava; **6.30 pm -** Devaranama by Vidu. Pooja Sugam and team.

April 13: Olagudi Utsava; **6.30 pm:** Classical Music by Vidu. Chaitrika and team.

April 25: Sri Shankara Jayanti. Abhisheka and Archane to Sri Shankara Bhagavath Padaru. Mahamangalarathi and Prasada Viniyoga in association with Sri Chidambareshwaraswamy.

Sabha has also organised discourse on 'Ramayana' at Rama Mandira daily from March 30 to April 8 from 5 pm to 6 pm by K. Ramachandra, retd. Engineer.

Nirantara Kalemane Ramanavami Nritya Mahotsava on March 30

Dr. Soundarya | Anju Peter | Aparna | Sunita Nair

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (SSM)- The Kumar Performing Arts Centre (KPAC), Mysuru, has organised 21st 'Nirantara Kalemane Sri Ramanavami Nritya Mahotsava' at Kalemane Sabhaangana in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage here on Mar. 30 at 3.30 pm.

Karnataka Kalashree, Vidya Nidhi renowned musicologist Vid. V. Nanjundaswamy will be the chief guest for the function.

The cultural programme will begin with solo thematic production dance ballet 'Draupadi' by Guru Dr. Soundarya Srivathsa, Founder-Director of Nartana Keertana, Bengaluru, which will be followed by Mohiniyattam by Guru Anju Peter, Founder-Director of Nrityankanam, Bengaluru. Later, Bharatanatyam performance by Tharang Academy of Arts Director Guru Aparna Vinod Menon and her disciples. Aatma Foundation Director Guru Sunita Nair and her disciples will be presenting a dance

K. Suresh and Durgadevi

form titled 'Ankuram... the bud sprouts' which will be followed by duet Bharatanatyam performance by Guru Swamimalai K. Suresh and Guru Durgadevi Suresh, Founders and Directors of Samarpana Academy of Fine Arts, Chennai.

For details, contact Mob: 98866-54887, according to a press release.

Moonlight Music Concert at Suttur Mutt

Vid. Sandeep Narayan presenting Karnatak Classical Vocal Music Concert at Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, as part of the monthly moonlight music programme-252 recently. He was accompanied by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar on violin, Vid. Giridhar Udupa on ghata and Vid. K.U. Jayachandra Rao on mridanga.

90,000 start-ups, 110 unicorns created by young Indians since 2014

Union Minister of State Rajeev Chandrasekhar speaks to students at Yuva Samvada in JSS College

JSS College of Arts, Commerce and Science (Autonomous)
Ooty Road, Mysuru
Programme on Skill Development & Interaction with Students
Sri Rajeev Chandrasekhar
Union Minister of State

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (RK&BCT)- Union Minister of State for Skill Development, Entrepreneurship and Electronics and Information Technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar said that the development initiatives taken up by the Modi Government like Digital India and the Skill India Mission have ushered in tremendous opportunities for young Indians.

Addressing a gathering of a young crowd at 'Yuva Samvada' organised by JSS College, Ooty Road recently, the Minister drew a comparison between India pre-2014 and post-2014, when Narendra Modi took over as the Prime Minister.

He noted that the country is today at an inflexion point — the most exciting period in its history. Tremendous opportunities are available for young Indians, who will be the main drivers of India's 'Techade' (tech-ade like a decade).

"Today, young Indians are driving the country's progress in India's Techade. Between 2014 and 2023, 90,000 start-ups and 110 unicorns have been created by young Indians on their own merits and initiatives," he said.

Wider opportunities

"Students of this generation are lucky and have wider opportunities to grab jobs both at the national and global levels. India has been transformed from an old to a new face with all provisions for the holistic development of society. The nation is growing well in education, technology, employment and development aspects with precious and visioned initiatives of the Union Government," he said.

Speaking about lack of opportunities in old India, he said, "Corruption and nepotism were rife and a total contrast from the opportunity-rich era of New India ushered in by the Narendra Modi Government through its various proactive and pro-people policies and programmes."

Able commander makes a difference

"We are at a time when there are effective implementations of schemes for getting spontaneous, corruption-and-intermediate-free fruitful outcome to beneficiaries, growing banking sectors, advanced rail, air and road transportation and 5G networks. Robust and timely actions to combat the COVID crisis, vaccine innovation and improving the economy. These are some of the instances to prove that India is being commanded and ably led well even in unprecedented situations," he added.

Highlighting the impetus that has been given to previously non-existent sectors in New India, he said, "In 2014, 82 percent of mobile phones used in India were imported and that has changed to almost 100 percent of all mobile phones being used in India, being made domestically. Before 2014, we had zero exports of mobile phones as opposed to this year where we will export Rs. 90,000 crore worth of phones made in India."

Speaking about the improvement in governance, Rajeev pointed out that India's tax collections have reached over 30 percent above their target. He revealed that this has enabled India to spend a record of Rs. 13 lakh crore in infrastructure.

The Minister has been visiting Colleges and Universities across the country to interact with students and encourage them to take up skills training and entrepreneurship along with their education. This visit to JSS College of Arts, Commerce and Science was his 46th to an educational institution.

More than 500 PG students attended. State BJP Secretary Vinay Bidari, City BJP President T.S. Srivatsa, Director of College Education Division of JSS Mahavidyapeetha Prof. R. Mugeshappa and Assistant Director B. Niranjana Murthy were present. Chief Executive of College Prof. B.V. Sambashivaiah welcomed. Principal Prof. M.P. Vijayendra Kumar proposed a vote of thanks. Vasavi rendered invocation. Dr. N. Rajendraprasad compered.

Reservation quota hike for Lingayats and Vokkaligas a political gimmick: HDK

JD(S) Legislature Party leader H.D. Kumaraswamy addressing a press meet yesterday as MLAs S.R. Mahesh and G.T. Devegowda look on.

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (MTY&DM)- Asserting that the reservation quota hike for Lingayats and Vokkaligas announced by the State Government recently is only a political gimmick ahead of the forthcoming Assembly polls, former CM H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) maintained that the hike would not serve any purpose for both the communities.

Addressing a press meet at the Office of K.R. Nagar MLA S.R. Mahesh here yesterday, Kumaraswamy charged the ruling BJP Government of trying to make political gains out of reservation hike when polls are round the corner. Lambasting the BJP Government, he said that, according to a report, malnutrition and poverty still persists in Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai's Shiggaon Constituency in Haveri district and nine other districts, which show the failure of the State Government.

Referring to PM Narendra Modi's remark that the Congress was out to finish him off, Kumaraswamy said that Modi was only lowering the dignity of the PM's Office by making such callous remarks instead of guiding the State on addressing burning issues.

Pancharatna Yatra to continue till Apr. 10

Maintaining that though the valedictory of the party's ambitious *Pancharatna Yatra* took place in Mysuru on Sunday, the Yatra will continue till Apr. 10. He said that the Yatra will resume from Bengaluru on Mar. 28 and cover all taluks in the districts of Bengaluru, Mysuru and Chamarajanagar by Apr. 10.

Mamata Banerjee to campaign for JD(S)

Kumaraswamy further said that TMC (Trinamool Congress) Founder and West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee will campaign for the party for the forthcoming Assembly polls. He said that he had met Mamata at Kolkata a few days ago and discussed about the same.

MLA M. Ashwin Kumar, MLC C.N. Manjegowda and others were present at the press meet.

Inner reservation should not be misunderstood: Advocate Arun Kumar

Arun Kumar

Mysuru, Mar. 28 - Senior Advocate and BJP leader S. Arun Kumar observed that the State Government's decision providing inner reservation among Dalit communities is a historical one and no one should misunderstand or misread it.

In a statement, Arun Kumar said former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda had launched the process of inner reservation and the current BJP Government has realised it in practicality.

Arun Kumar asserted that everyone should honour the commitment of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai for rendering social justice to all deprived communities. Referring to the violence that erupted in Shikaripura in Shivamogga district, where the Banjara community revolted against inner reservation, he said that though staging protest is a Constitutional right, the violence that has taken place is condemnable.

Condemning the attack on the residence of former CM B.S. Yediyurappa at Shikaripura, Arun Kumar urged the people not to fall prey to provocation and leaders should educate communities on the benefits of inner reservation. He appealed political leaders not to mislead anyone in respect of inner reservation among SC communities.

International Women's Day

Mysuru, Mar. 28 (SSM)- Negilayogi Samaja Seva Trust, Mysuru and Negilayogi Mahileyara Kshemabhivruddhi Sangha, Mysuru, have jointly organised a programme to celebrate International Women's Day at Negilayogi Maruleshwara Seva Bhavan, K.G. Koppal here on Mar. 29 at 10 am.

Chief Superintendent of Mysuru Central Prisons K.C. Divyashree will inaugurate the programme while Negilayogi Mahileyara Kshemabhivruddhi Sangha President J. Shobha Ramesh will preside. Mysuru City Corporation Assistant Commissioner Chandramma, Karnataka State Audit and Accounts Department, Mysuru, Deputy Director I.M. Savitha and Government Women's First Grade College Professor Dr. H.P. Geetha will be the chief guests.

Punjab National Bank, Mysuru Branch Manager Vedhashri, Vidyavardhaka Law College Principal Dr. P. Deepu, progressive woman farmer Chaitra Raj, entrepreuner Ramya Umashankar and talented student Durgabhavani will be honoured on the occasion.

For details, call Mob: 94483-92488 or 91132-01893.

WORD OF THE DAY

Proximate

Pronunciation: PRAHK-suh-mut.
Meaning: Proximate is a formal word that is usually used to describe something that comes or happens immediately before or after something in a way that shows a very close and direct relationship. It can also mean "very near" or "happening soon."
Origin: Proximate comes ultimately from the Latin adjective prope, meaning "near," a source too of approach, reproach, and propinquity. Other close relations of proximate are: they include proximity, approximation and approximate.
Example: "When I first watched 'The Last Unicorn' (a horror movie masquerading as a children's cartoon) at age 8, the image of a naked harpy devouring a witch was burned into my brain, but so was the realisation that the conditions that created the harpy also allowed for the unicorn. The existence of horror is inevitably proximate to the existence of wondrous possibility." —Adrienne Celt

THE ODD WORD

Pactolian

Like or having golden-hued sands.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Peg out

Meaning: To die.
Origin: This phrase is widely thought to have been taken from the scoring in card games like cribbage (aka crib), in which the score is kept on a pegboard. The game ends when the first person 'pegs out'. That view may be correct, but there doesn't appear to be any conclusive evidence to support it. That use of 'peg out' in card playing is first recorded in Hardy & Ware's The Modern Hoyle, 1870: "He may with a very poor hand be just able to 'show' or peg out."
Cribbage is quite an old game and John Aubrey in his biographical work Brief Lives, said that Sir John Suckling, (1609 - 1641?) "invented the game of cribbidge". This seems to be a reliable account and is supported by other contemporary evidence. It may be then that the term 'peg out' was used prior to 1870 but wasn't recorded.
Whether or not 'peg out' was used in the card game, it isn't conclusive that this usage is the origin of the 'to die' meaning. That figurative use is first seen in the USA in the 1850s, but no early citations of its use with that meaning refer to cards. The first record of it that I've found is in J.M. Field's Job & his Children in America's Lost Plays, 1852: "To think what a blessed mess of piety one's got into, and 'bleeged to keep it up until Daddy Day pegs out."

QUOTE BOX

Out of suffering have emerged the strongest souls; the most massive characters are seared with scars. **—Khalil Gibran**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Round trip ticket.

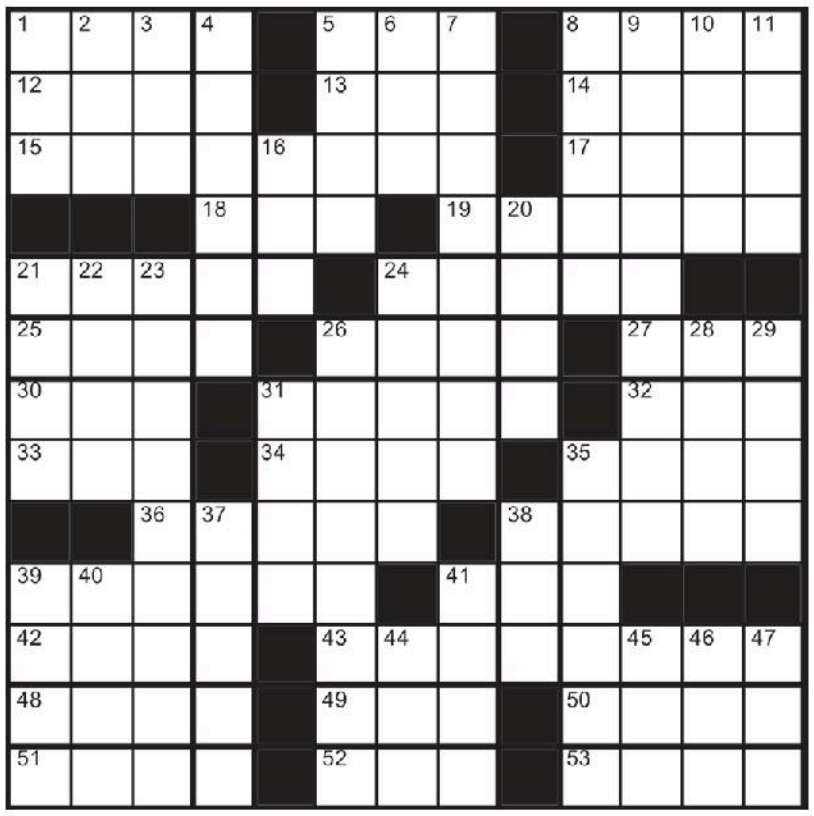
CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Sharp taste
5 Radio Mgmnt. Unit
8 Very small particle
12 Male admirer
13 Geological period
14 Lager or ale
15 Gave aid to
17 Skin affliction
18 Incline the head
19 Inscribed
21 Identification tab
24 Give instruction
25 South Africa's Hashim ____
26 Cry out with a loud voice
27 Prefix meaning "equal"
30 Bollywood's Aishwarya __ Bachchan
31 Three-dimensional
32 Status ___ : existing state of affairs
33 Frequency unit
34 Shield or heraldic border
35 Major canal
36 Striped equine
38 Silly ones
39 Meagre
41 Gumshoe or investigator
42 Hounds' quarry
43 Fed and tended
48 Current types (2-2)
49 US Civil war side, in short
50 Mystic symbol
51 Archaic bidding
52 A shrill bark
53 Enough in old English?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	D	A		W	P	T			D	I	E
L	E	K		A	R	E	A		T	O	R	N
A	V	A	I	L	I	N	G		A	C	E	D
			D	E	N	S	E	S	T			
	M	O	I	S	T	E	N	S		S	P	A
M	I	R	O			S	T	E	N	C	I	L
E	X	A	M	S				S	E	A	L	S
R	E	T	S	I	N	A			A	R	L	O
E	S	E		T	O	R	T	U	R	E	S	
			G	E	R	M	A	N	E			
G	Y	R	O		A	I	R	C	R	A	F	T
B	O	N	A		H	E	A	L		N	E	O
S	U	P				S	S	E		A	Y	E

DOWN
1 TV Guide abbreviation
2 Roman bronze - "sea" change?
3 Natl. Acad. of Sciences
4 British coin until 1813
5 In short, no more on active duty?
6 "The Simpsons" bartender
7 Form the basis of?
8 Primitive calculators
9 Special method, knack
10 Prefix for wine
11 TV's talking horse (2,2)
16 The sun in Spain
20 Translucent mineral used in cosmetics?
21 What fun to get up early!
22 Oriental nanny - "a ham" changed?
23 Snowstorms
24 Indian percussion instrument
26 Legal tender
28 Institutes legal proceedings
29 Drain slowly
31 Male swans
35 Make safe
37 Build straight!
38 Acquire
39 Persian monarch
40 Tempo
41 Bait or ensnare
44 North American nation
45 In the long ___ : eventually?
46 Rock musician Brian
47 Condensed moisture



SUDOKU

	2		3		8			
	4	1		7				
		7		6	4			8
5	8							
	6						7	
							9	3
4			7	5		6		
				2		1	8	
			6		3		5	

Answer to previous puzzle

9	6	1	5	4	8	3	2	7
2	4	7	9	6	3	1	8	5
5	3	8	2	7	1	9	4	6
6	7	4	3	2	9	5	1	8
8	2	9	1	5	6	4	7	3
1	5	3	4	8	7	2	6	9
4	8	2	6	3	5	7	9	1
7	9	5	8	1	2	6	3	4
3	1	6	7	9	4	8	5	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

SCDR F XCBRI QDFKDK XP LD F KMLODQX

PY QPRXHPWDHKZ, BX QDFKDK XP LD

F KMLODQX PY BRXDHDKX.

TODAY'S CLUE: D EQUALS E

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.

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	(S-3)	7.20 pm, 9.50 pm
John Wick Chapter 4 (E)	(S-1)	6.55 pm, 10.10 pm
	(S-3)	10.35 am
Vellari Pattanam (Ma)	(S-2)	10.45 am, 10.05 pm
Das Ka Dhamki (Te)	(S-2)	1.30 pm, 4.30 pm
Kabza (K)	(S-2)	7.25 pm
	(S-3)	1.55 pm
	(S-4)	10.35 am, 1.20 pm, 4.10 pm
		7.00 pm, 9.45 pm
Mrs. Chatterjee Vs Norway (H)	(S-3)	4.40 pm

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		7.00 pm, 10.30 pm
Kabzaa (K)	:	10:30 am, 12.30 pm, 1.30 pm
		3.30 pm, 4.30 pm, 6.30 pm
		7.30 pm, 9.30 pm, 10:30 pm
Das Ka Dhamki (Te)	:	12.15 pm, 3.30 pm, 6.45 pm
		10.00 pm
Demon Slayer (Japanese)	:	12.35 pm
Bheed (H)	:	12.50 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.00 pm
Tu Jhoothi Main Makkaar (H)	:	3.05 pm, 9.30 pm
Vellaripattanam (Ma)	:	3.25 pm
Shazam! Fury of Gods (E)	:	6.35 pm

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		1.00 pm, 3.00 pm
		4.00 pm, 6.00 pm,
		7.00 pm, 9.00 pm
		9.30 pm, 10.00 pm
John Wick: Chapter 4 (E)	:	11.30 am, 3.00 pm
		6.30 pm, 10.00 pm
Rangamarthanda (Te)	:	12.05 pm, 6.15 pm
Shazam! Fury of Gods (E)	:	3.20 pm

Dalai Lama names US-born Mongolian boy as 3rd top spiritual leader

Dhramashala, Mar. 28- A Mongolian boy, born in the United States, has been named as the 10th Khalkha Jetsun Dhampa Rinpoche, the third highest rank in Tibetan Buddhism, by the Dalai Lama.

The ceremony of his anointment took place in Dharmshala, Himachal Pradesh, where Dalai Lama lives in exile. The move is likely to anger China, which only recognises Buddhist leaders chosen by it. China had reacted strongly to the visit and warned Mongolia of diplomatic fallout if the Dalai Lama was allowed to return to the country.

"We have the reincarnation of Khalkha Jetsun Dhampa Rinpoché of Mongolia with us today," Dalai Lama said during the ceremony adding that his predecessors had a close association with the Krishnacharya lineage of Chakrasamvara. One of them established a monastery in Mongolia dedicated to its practice. So, his being coming to

Dharamshala was auspicious.

The eight-year-old has dual nationality and is said to have a twin. The ceremony took place on Mar. 8 and over 600 Mongolians, 5,000 Monks and nuns attended this ceremony.

Meanwhile, the Dalai Lama will announce his successor when he turns 90.

EVENTS TODAY (MARCH 28)

- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 14th Vasantha Navarathri Mahotsav, Sri Dasha Shyamala Homa, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Bharathi Sthree Samaja Cultural & Educational Charitable Trust:** Sri Ramanavami Festival, music programme by disciples of Vidu. Nagasudha, Trust premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Keyboard programme by disciples of Vid. Umapathi, **6 pm;** Vocal concert by Vid. K.N. Sharadambha, accompanied by Vid. Thyagarajan on violin and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on mridanga, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **7 pm to 8.15 pm.**
- **Sri Ramaseva Mandali Charitable Trust, Mysore North:** 29th Sri Ramanavami festivities, Karnatak Vocal Concert by Vid. H.S. Prashanth from Bengaluru, accompanied by Vid. Mattur R. Srinidhi (violin), Vid. Anoor Ananta Krishna Sharma (mridanga) and Vid. Sunad Anoor (kanjira), Sri Prasanna Parvati Kalyana Mantapa, V.V. Mohalla, **6.15 pm.**
- **Ganapati Seva Mandali Trust:** 4th Ramotsava programme, Bhajans by Swara Raagalaya Sangeetha Kendra, **6 pm;** Harikathe by Mohan Kumar, Rajat Sabha Mantapa, Ganapati Temple, I-Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MARCH 29)

- **Sri Ramaseva Mandali Charitable Trust, Mysore North:** 29th Sri Ramanavami festivities, Abhisheka, Ashtottara, Navagraha Japa and Ramayana Parayana, **Mornings;** Violin Solo performance by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar from Chennai, accompanied by Vid. H.S. Sudheendra (mridanga) and Vid. G.S. Ramanujan (ghata), Sri Prasanna Parvati Kalyana Mantapa, V.V. Mohalla, **6.15 pm.**
- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 14th Vasantha Navarathri Mahotsav, Mahabhisheka, Saptashathi Parayana, Lalithopakhyana Parayana, Srichakrarchane, **8.30 am;** Sri Vidya Shodasha Durga Homa, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDM-IMD), Mysuru:** 28th Annual Convocation, SDM-IMD Chairman Dharmadhikari Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade presides, Rane Holdings Chairman and Managing Director L. Ganesh delivers Convocation Address, Convocation Hall, Institute premises, Chamundi Hill Road, **3 pm.**
- **Bharathi Sthree Samaja Cultural & Educational Charitable Trust:** Sri Ramanavami Festival, music programme by Sharada Kala Kendra, Trust premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Ganapati Seva Mandali Trust:** 4th Ramotsava programme, Bhajans by disciples of Gayatri Satyanarayan, **6 pm;** Devotional Songs by Shreya K. Bhat, Rajat Sabha Mantapa, Ganapati Temple, I-Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

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		3.20 pm, 6.10 pm
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		7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-3)	9.00 pm; (S-4) 10.00 am
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Tu Jhoothi Main Makkaar (H)	(S-1)	6.15 pm
Bheed (H)	(S-3)	10.20 am, 12.45 pm
	(S-4)	7.55 pm
Das Ka Dhamki (Te)	(S-4)	4.50 pm, 10.20 pm
John Wick: Chapter 4 (E)	(S-3)	3.10 pm, 6.35 pm, 10.00 pm
	(S-4)	10.00 am, 1.25 pm

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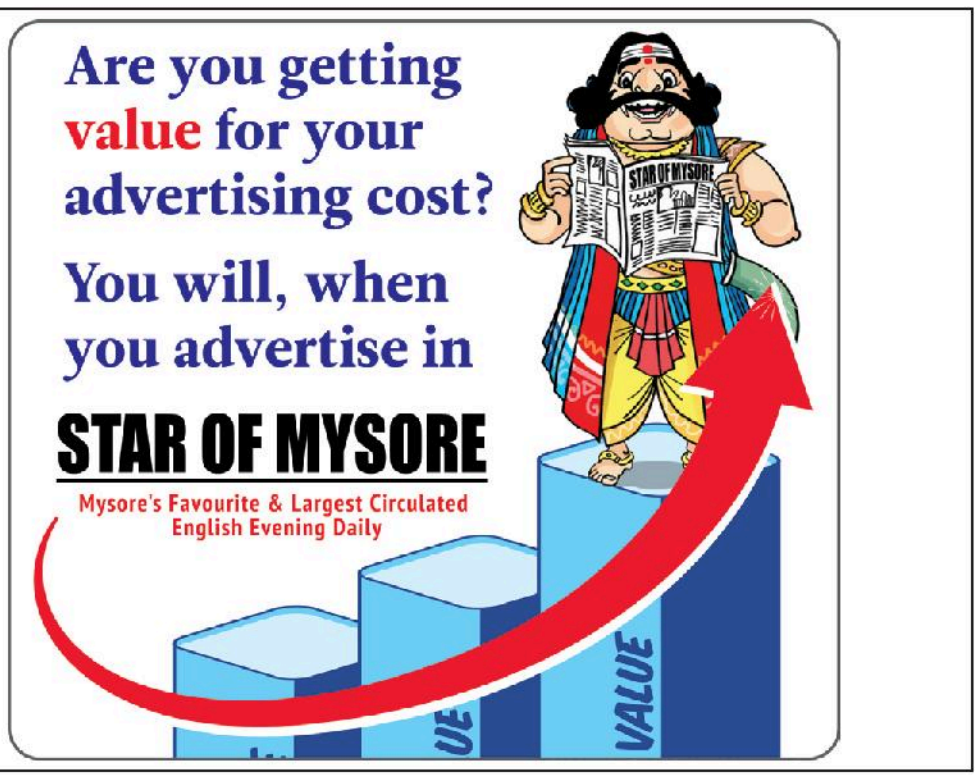
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215/2	01	19 ½	Sy. No. 215/5	Sy. No. 214	Sy. No. 215/4,1	Road
215/4	00	19 ½	Sy. No. 215/1	Sy. No. 214	Sy. No. 215/3	Sy. No. 215/2
215/5	01	22 ½	Sy. No. 216	Sy. No. 215/2	Sy. No. 215/1	Road
216/3	00	12	Sy. No. 216/1	Sy. No. 215	Sy. No. 216/2	Road
216/5	00	13	Sy. No. 216/2	Sy. No. 215	Sy. No. 100 of Sinduvallipura	Sy. No. 216/3
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